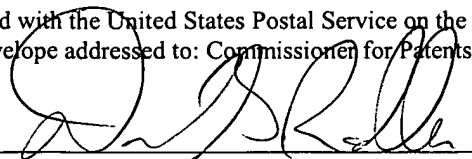


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In response to the Office Action mailed on January 13, 2005, Applicant respectfully amends the above referenced patent application as follows: